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SUBJECT: PEKING'S VIEW OF THE TYUMEN PROJECT

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1. PRC AMBASSADOR CHEN CHU'S COMMENTS ON THE TYUMEN OIL PROJECT (REFTEL) ARE INTERESTING. THEY REFLECT PEKING'S ASSUMPTION THAT SOME JAPANESE PARTICIPATION IN THE SIBERIAN PROJECT IS PROBABLY INEVITABLE. THUS CHEN DID NOT IMPLY THAT SINO-JAPANESE RELATIONS WOULD BE AFFECTED BY SUCH AN EVENTUALITY BUT STRESSED HOW THE PROJECT COULD BOOMERANG ON THE JAPANESE. MOST SIGNIFICANT WAS CHEN'S ENCOURAGEMENT OF JOINT US-JAPANESE COOPERATION IN THE PROJECT. VERY LIKELY PEKING'S OBJECTIVE IN PUSHING THIS IDEA IS TO NEUTRALIZE THE POLITICAL LEVERAGE OVER TOKYO WHICH A LARGE JAPANESE INVESTMENT IN TYUMEN AND THE FUTURE FLOW OF SIBERIAN OIL TO JAPAN WOULD PROVIDE MOSCOW.

2. THE PRC ALSO OF COURSE HOPES TO OFFSET THE EFFECT OF THE TYUMEN PROJECT BY AN EXPANDING FLOW OF ITS OWN CRUDE OIL TO

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